

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

November 10, 2024

Prelude God of Grace and God of Glory

arr, Costello

Jinhee Shim, organ

Welcome Pastor Farrar

Call to Worship Responsive Reading Caitlin Henry

Based on Exodus 15:26; Isaiah 6:10

God invites us into his healing presence with these words: "I am the Lord, who heals you."

Diseased, depressed, dysfunctional, defeated, we come hungering for health that only God can provide.

God calls us to bring open eyes, hearing ears, and tender hearts turned toward him, the Great Physician.

We bow before him in faith and expectancy!

*Hymn #612 How Firm a Foundation Foundation

Scripture Reading Psalm 32:8; Psalm 37:23, 24; Mickey Doherty

Psalm 119:105; Proverbs 3:5,6

Sacrament of Baptism Sophia Sharon Boccasini

Parents: Michael & Sarah Boccasini

Welcoming New Covenant Partners

Pastor Farrar & Linda DiLullo

*The Peace

Since we have peace with God through the Lord Jesus, let's share that peace with each other: The peace of the Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Worship Songs

Good God
Hymn of the Holy Spirit
Breathe
NPC Worship Band

Children & Youth ($6^{th} - 9^{th}$ grade) dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Holy Holy Holy Dykes

Linda Pilacik & Jinhee Shim, piano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6,7; Hebrews 11:1,2 Pastor Farrar

Message Stepping Out into the Void Pastor Farrar

Hymn #635 He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought

Benediction Pastor Farrar

Postlude Toccata in B Minor Gigout
Jinhee Shim, organ

Prayer Ministry Jan Kennedy

Happy Veterans Day *Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.* Romans 12:10. As we prepare to celebrate Veterans Day, tomorrow, November 11th, we want to recognize and honor the veterans here at NPC and beyond. Thank you for your service.

Pie & Praise - Thanksgiving Eve Service at NPC!

Please join us on Wednesday, November 27th beginning at 6:30pm for a praise-filled Thanksgiving Service, along with a sampling of tasty pie and other desserts. Please note that there will not be a meal however there will be delicious treats. Then all are invited to the sanctuary for a family-friendly, dynamic time of thanking God for His abundance of blessings. We hope to see you there!

WELCOME NEW COVENANT PARTNERS

Chris & David Baker live in Haverford after relocating from Los Angeles about a year and a half ago. They have twins who are attending college at the University of Chicago and Rhode Island School of Design. Chris is CEO of Amplity, a global clinical research firm based in PA. David is a retired English Teacher and former stay at home dad. They most recently attended BelAir Presbyterian in LA.

Vadim & Anastasiia Huzanov are immigrants from Ukraine, Odessa. They live in Narberth with their young son, Yelisei. Vadim works in home/apartment renovations and Anastasiia works as a caregiver at St. Margaret School in Narberth. They come to NPC from the Baptist church in Odessa, Ukraine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Unbound Conference: "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free." (Galatians 5:1a) Heart of the Father, a Christian ministry based in Ardmore, will be hosting an Unbound conference for people who want to experience deeper spiritual freedom. Unbound is a simple, gentle, & powerful prayer ministry where you will learn from the basic gospel message how to be free from resentments, loneliness, addictions—anything that limits your life. If you have questions, contact Maria Kaminstein.

Date: Friday evening, November 22 and all day Saturday, November 23, 2024

Location: Victory Church 2650 Audubon Rd. Audubon PA 19401

Cards containing conference information have been placed in several locations near the doors and sanctuary.

Christmas Pageant! Save the Date! – This year our annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 22nd at end of service in the sanctuary.

NOAH at Sight & Sound – Intergenerational Ministry is beginning to plan a time to see *NOAH* (beginning of April) at Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA. Ticket prices are \$85 for adults and \$40 for children (3 – 12). If you would be interested in attending, please email Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org). Thank you for helping us to plan well!

Donations Request: The Parkway Ministry is currently helping to clothe our homeless brothers and sisters on the Parkway. Jennifer Bonovitz also works alongside Project Home Outreach workers to provide clothing and blankets for over 100 people who live permanently on the streets. In addition to food, we bring clothes to about 30 families in North Philly every Saturday. **Please consider donating coats, hoodies and sweatpants** if you are able. We have a big family depending on us! Clothing can be brought to the bin outside the door at the Windsor St entrance or taken directly to Jennifer's house (214 Derwen Road, Merion Station) and left on a table in the carport.

Notes from Justice & Mercy: Please welcome our newest Justice and Mercy Advocate, Ken Eng. While Ken has just recently become part of the committee, he has been serving the youth of the Delaware Valley for many years. Ken and his partners offer SAT prep courses, free of charge, to students who cannot afford the high cost of commercial prep programs. Knowing the pressure students are under to earn a high score on their SATs, Ken ministers not only by tutoring his students but also by helping them to see their value beyond academic and professional achievement. Please pray that while they are teaching, Ken and his partners would show God's love to those in their classes and that the students would be receptive.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International (PRMI) Located in Black Mountain, North Carolina, PRMI supports Christians of all denominations who are committed to Jesus Christ and to fulfilling the Great Commission, by becoming equipped in the power of the Holy Spirit to be witnesses to Jesus Christ. One of PRMI's ministries is Dunamis Fellowship International, which provides fellowship, accountability, and prayer connections for people who have completed some or all of the Dunamis Project. It is a **Spiritual Fellowship** of people who have been born again, are focused on the fulfillment of a common vision, committed to following Jesus Christ, and baptized with the Holy Spirit. Pray for them as they seek to meet the challenges of working for renewal and advancing the Gospel in the world today.

Hurricane Disaster Relief: If you would like to support the massive effort to help people recover, body and soul, from the ravages of hurricanes Helene and Milton, here are three organizations already at work in Florida and North Carolina. That work will be ongoing, so if you cannot give today, the need will still be there in the future. Thank you for your generous response to our neighbors in the South. Check the Friday Newsletters for links.

- 1) Project Hope
- 2) Greater Good Charities
- 3) Samaritan's Purse

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Sunday School (K – 5th **grade)** – This week we will begin to learn our Christmas Pageant and Christmas Music! Our children will also be creating a fun Thanksgiving craft for our homebound members.

Pumpkin Prayers – During November, our NPC Nursery will learn that prayer is a treat we can enjoy as believers. Our youngest will connect with God, grow their faith, and find direction for a bright future!

Gingerbread Bash – The "Bash" is back! Mark your calendar for Wednesday, December 11th from 6:45 – 8:00pm. This is a fun, hands-on Christmas event where we build gingerbread nativities, hear the Christmas story, and discover the life-changing gift of God's Son, Jesus. This event is best for kindergarten through 5th grade, however younger children may attend with a parent to help them. You must RSVP by Sunday, December 1st so all materials can be ready to go. Please contact Danielle to RSVP or with any questions.

Christmas Pageant! Save the Date! – This year our annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 22nd at end of service in the sanctuary. We will begin to learn our pageant next week in Sunday School.

Kids Praise Children's Program – PreK – 5th graders are invited to the Choir Room each Wednesday night from 7:00 – 8:00pm for music fun. Come make a joyful noise!

VBC 2025! – Monday, June 23rd through Friday, June 27th from 9:00am until 11:30am. Our theme this year is "Live it Out" – This summer we are focusing on one powerful action: loving like Jesus! At VBC we will not only hear about Jesus' love but also learn to express that love through our actions. Join us this summer at VBC!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

Youth Sunday School – All 6^{th} – 9^{th} graders are welcome to join us for Sunday School in the Youth Room! They will be dismissed following the worship songs during the service.

Bible Study for 10th,11th, 12th grade – Join us each Sunday evening from 5:30 – 7:00pm for dinner and Bible study at the McGrew;s home. Together we will learn how to do an inductive Bible study on the book of John. Please reach out to Abby McGrew or Ian Kauffman with any questions.

NPC Youth at the Parkway – On Sunday, December 1st, NPC youth will be providing and distributing a meal through the Parkway Ministry. Stay Tuned for more details on how your student can get involved in this day of service!

CLASSES

8:15am Sunday Class – Please join us – in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom – for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for the day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Pastor Debbie for the Zoom link.

Bible Study: Season in the Psalms: Finding Comfort and Wisdom in God's Word We are starting a new 13-week Bible Study of some of the most widely cherished psalms. We will use Eugene Peterson's study guide "PSALMS: Prayers of the Heart". We meet on Thursdays from 7:00 – 8:15pm starting Thursday Oct 24th. We will not meet on Oct 31st (Halloween) and from Dec 19th – Jan 2nd (Christmas break). Women: Meet in the Parlor (contact Lalitha Naveen: lnaveen@temple.edu)

Men: Meet in the Pastor's Office (contact Ken Eng: K_Eng@msn.com or Tim Neilson: mytn1122@gmail.com)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Three Free Sins: Join us for what promises to be an enlightening book study of *Three Free Sins: God's Not Mad at You*, by Steve Brown, retired Pastor & Seminary Professor. Each week we'll be reading one chapter of this down-to-earth book, thinking about, and discussing it. We'll have a good time and, I trust, will be encouraged to live our lives more humbly and more confidently before God, and with each other!

Practicing the Way: Simon and Cindy Hauger are leading an 8-week series on *Practicing the Way*, a new book about spiritual formation. This series is intended to help you be more intentional on the journey of spiritual formation, help you get unstuck if you've stalled out, & guide you to developing a deeper relationship with God.

Kids Praise – PreK through 5th grade are invited each week for music fun!

Middle School Youth Group! Each week offers games, lessons, and fun! All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are encouraged to attend and bring a friend!

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, November 10

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor

9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-stream

Monday, November 11

6:15 – 7:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Chapel

6:30 – 8:00pm GriefShare, Parlor

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Pastor's Office

Tuesday, November 12

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

7:00pm Deacon's Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday November 13

5:45 – 6:45 Church Family Supper, Gym

7:00 – 8:00pm Three Free Sins, Gym

7:00 – 8:00pm Practicing the Way, Parlor

7:00 – 8:00pm Kids Praise, Choir Room

7:00 – 8:00pm MSYG, Youth Room

Thursday, November 14

6:30 - 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

7:00 – 8:15pm Women's Bible Study, Parlor

7:00 – 8:15pm Men's Bible Study, Pastor's

Office

Friday, November 15

10:00am - 12:00pm Ladies Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, November 16

Sunday, November 17

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor

9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-

stream

Each Week

Christian Preschool – 610-664-8890 x118

 $2,\,3\,\&\,5\,\,\mathrm{Day}\,\,\mathrm{Programs}\,\,9:00\mathrm{am}\,\,\mathrm{to}\,\,12\,\,\mathrm{noon}\,\&\,\,12\,\,\mathrm{noon}\,\,\mathrm{to}\,\,3:00\mathrm{pm}\,\,\mathrm{Extended}\,\,\mathrm{Day}\,\,\mathrm{Program},\,\mathrm{Sept.-May}$

AA meets 12:30pm, Monday-Saturday & Sunday at 4:30pm

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